

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (canceled).

2. (canceled).

3. (currently amended): The mobile phone system as claimed in claim 48, wherein the unidirectional logical control channel signal is successively transmitted at a fixed period timing from each of said plurality of base stations.

4. (currently amended): The mobile phone system as claimed in claim 48, wherein the unidirectional logical control channel signal transmitted from each of said plurality of base stations is synchronized in transmission timing among said plurality of base stations.

5. (previously presented): The mobile phone system as claimed in claim 3, wherein the unidirectional logical control channel signal transmitted from each of said plurality of base stations is synchronized in transmission timing among said plurality of base stations.

6. (canceled).

7. (currently amended): A handover method for a mobile phone system, comprising:
transmitting a unidirectional logical control channel signal from each of a plurality of base stations in a designated transmission time slot of a frame, the designated transmission time slot being the same for each of said plurality of base stations; and

receiving the unidirectional logical control channel signal in a designated reception time slot of a frame, corresponding to the designated transmission time slot of each of the plurality of base stations, at a mobile phone, the designated reception time slot being the same for each frame of a plurality of frames of said mobile phone,

wherein when receiving the unidirectional logical control channel signal in the designated reception time slot of the frame, said mobile phone receives an information channel signal in an other reception time slot of the frame, the information channel signal being transmitted from one of said plurality of base stations, and

wherein said at least one mobile phone chooses said unidirectional logical control channel signal having the highest reception level when the reception level of each of said unidirectional logical control channel signal detected is higher than the reception level of said information channel signal.

8. (currently amended): ~~The mobile phone system as claimed in claim 6, A mobile phone system, comprising:~~

a plurality of base stations,

wherein each of the plurality of base stations includes circuitry to transmit a unidirectional logical control channel signal in a designated transmission time slot of a frame, the designated transmission time slot being the same for each of the plurality of base stations; and

at least one mobile phone which includes circuitry to receive the unidirectional logical control channel signal in a designated reception time slot of the frame, corresponding to the designated transmission time slot of each of the plurality of base stations, the designated reception time slot being the same for each frame of a plurality of frames of said at least one mobile phone,

wherein when receiving the unidirectional logical control channel signal in the designated reception time slot of the frame, said at least one mobile phone receives an information channel signal in an other reception time slot of the frame, the information channel signal being transmitted from one of said plurality of base stations,

wherein said one of said plurality of base stations serves as a handover source and said at least one mobile phone receives a different information channel signal transmitted from an other base station of said plurality of base stations serving as a handover destination after handover is performed, and

wherein said at least one mobile phone detects a reception level of each unidirectional logical control channel signal received, and compares the reception level of each unidirectional

logical control channel signal detected with the reception level of said information channel signal which is transmitted/received to/from said one base station of said plurality of base stations serving as said handover source, and chooses said unidirectional logical control channel signal having the highest reception level when the reception level of each of said unidirectional logical control channel signal detected is higher than the reception level of said information channel signal.

9. (currently amended): A mobile phone system comprising:

means for transmitting a unidirectional logical control channel signal from each of a plurality of base stations in a designated transmission time slot of a frame, the designated transmission time slot being the same for each of the plurality of base stations; and

means for receiving the unidirectional logical control channel signal in a designated reception time slot of the frame corresponding to the designated transmission time slot of each of the plurality of base stations, at a mobile phone, the designated reception time slot being the same for each frame of a plurality of frames of said mobile phone,

wherein when receiving the unidirectional logical control channel signal in the designated reception time slot of the frame, said mobile phone receives an information channel signal in an other reception time slot of the frame, the information channel signal being transmitted from one of said plurality of base stations, and

wherein said at least one mobile phone chooses said unidirectional logical control channel signal having the highest reception level when the reception level of each of said

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unidirectional logical control channel signal detected is higher than the reception level of said information channel signal.